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SUBJECT: ICAO COUNCIL MEETINGS NOVEMBER 12 AND 19 (C/OB 86/5  
AND 7 -- CONSOLIDATED INSTRUMENT WARSAW)

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1. FROM BEGINNING OF DISCUSSIONS COUNCIL WAS OBVIOUSLY HOSTILE TO ANY EFFORT THAT INDICATED DELAY IN BEGINNING WORK ON CONSOLIDATED INSTRUMENT. CONSIDERATION ACTION PARA 5 COMMENCED IN CONFUSION AND WENT FROM BAD TO WORSE. USSR PROPOSAL TO DELETE "NUMBER ONE PRIORITY" PHRASE WAS DEFEATED 5 (US)/10/0. PARA A WAS THEN ADOPTED AS IS 19/1(US)/3/(YUGOSLAVIA, INDONESIA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA). CONFUSED GERMAN PROPOSAL TO ASSIST US BY SKIPPING FROM A) D) WAS DEFEATED 2 (US, GERMANY) /14/4 (YUGOSLAVIA, MEXICO, USSR, CZECHOSLOVAKIA). CHAOTIC DISCUSSION RE B) LED TO ADOPTION 15/4(US)/0/. MEXICO AND JAPAN THEN LED REOPENING OF DEBATE BECAUSE OF "IMPOLITE" WORDING. IN EARLY EVENING USREP PROPOSED DEFERRAL DEBATE UNTIL NOVEMBER 19 WHICH RECEIVED CONSENSUS.

2. PURSUANT DILLON/WILLIS TELCON US WENT INTO CONTINUING DISCUSSION, SECOND MEETING, WITH MORE FLEXIBLE POSITION REGARDING SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS, PARA 5 B) ADOPTED PROMPTLY AS IS 17 (US)/0/6 (BRAZIL, LEBANON, USSR, INDONESIA, GERMANY, CZECHOSLOVAKIA). BASED ON INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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EUROPEAN GROUP, US THEN ASKED FOR LATER DATE

SPRING, EARLY SUMMER FOR CONVENING SUB-COMMITTEE IN ORDER ALLOW TIME FOR PREPARATION. PRESIDENT AND DIR LEG BUR INDICATED MEETINGS SCHEDULED TOO TIGHT DURING THAT PERIOD. US THEN SUGGESTED THAT SUB-COMMITTEE BE CONVENED DURING DATES RESERVED FOR LEG CTE OCTOBER-NOVEMBER WITH LEG CTE BEING SCHEDULED SOME MONTHS LATER. THIS MET WITH SOME "NO OBJECTION" STATEMENTS FROM EUROPEANS AND OTHERS BUT PRESIDENT THEN BEGAN EXPLORING MORE SERIOUSLY THE MAY-JUNE PERIOD AND CAME UP WITH MAY 17-JUNE 1 FOR SUB-COMMITTEE. A LONG DISCUSSION ON VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES ENSUED BUT WAS COMPLICATED BY SEVERAL INTERVENTIONS FROM DIR LEG BUR WHO, QUOTING RULES, INSISTED THERE MUST BE FOUR MONTHS PERIOD BETWEEN SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT AND LEG CTE. UK WITH URGING FROM US CLOBBERED THIS POSITION BUT DIR LEG BUR PERSISTED BY REFERRING TO FOUR MONTHS REQUIRED FOR CIRCULATING AGENDA RPT AGENDA. PRESIDENT COUNCIL THEN CLOBBERED DIR LEG BUR WHICH CLEARED WAY FOR ADOPTION BY CONSENSUS OF MAY-JUNE DATES FOR SUB-COMMITTEE 5.C) AND OCT-NOV DATES LEG CTE IN 5 D). THIS SCHEDULING RECEIVED SOUND SUPPORT FROM ENTIRE EUROPEAN GROUP AND NIGERIA/SENEGAL AS WELL AS SOME LESS WELL DEFINED HELP FROM USSR.

3. USREP HOPES THIS TWO MONTH POSTPONEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE WILL ALLEVIATE PROBLEMS ATTENDING EARLIER SCHEDULING.  
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